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| For: | PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS |) | Confirmation No. | 7477 |
| | WITH WOUND HEALING OR ANTI- |) | | |
| | COMPLEMENTARY ACTIVITY |) | | |
| | COMPRISING A DEXTRAN |) | | |
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Patent Office Action, mailed January 28, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims

Claim 1 (currently amended): A pharmaceutical composition which has a healing action and which comprises:

(1) at least one dextran derivative of the general formula $DMC_aB_bSu_c$ in which:

D represents a ~~polysaccharide~~ dextran chain,
 MC represents methylcarboxylate groups,
 B represents carboxymethylbenzylamide groups,



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